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2. State issued ration foodstuffs sell at high prices, and no falling in prices has been noted.

3. The price of food in the open market state cooperatives are relatively high if compared to the earning power and wages of workers.

4. Wages of state employees vary from 7,500 leva to 25,000 leva monthly.

5. The scarcity of gasoline continues. Gasoline stocks are at the disposal of the Army and state enterprises.

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